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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT  
AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**PATENT**

Applicant: Kemmon A. Tubbs et al.

Docket No.: 41821.1000

Serial No.: 09/855,143

Examiner: Gary W. Counts

Filed: May 14, 2001

Art Unit: 1641

Title: MASS SPECTROMETRIC IMMUNOASSAY ANALYSIS OF SPECIFIC  
PROTEINS AND VARIANTS PRESENT IN VARIOUS BIOLOGICAL  
FLUIDS

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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Honorable Commissioner:

In response to the Office Action dated September 16, 2002, the period of response for which is hereby extended by three month to March 17, 2003, in that March 16, 2003 falls on a Sunday, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**In the Claims:**

Please amend claims 9 and 11-12 as follows:

--9. (AMENDED) A method for isolation and subsequent qualitative characterization of target biomolecules present in a biological fluid comprising the steps of:

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